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FOL RPT BANGKOK 3050 ACTION DEA HQS WASHDC INFO COPENHAGEN  
PARIS SECSTATE 8 FEB QUOTE

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DEA HQS PASS BENSINGER/A, CASEY/A/AD, VALENTINE/EN, FINK/IG,  
STUTMAN, CONG LIAISON, POSTS FOR DEA FROM RD ADDARIO

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SNAR

SUBJECT: BRIEFING OF FOREIGN OFFICIALS

1. AT THE REQUEST OF THE FRENCH EMBASSY IN BKK, RD ADDARIO  
AND RIU PERSONNEL PRESENTED A BRIEFING TO FRENCH AMBASSADOR  
GERARD ANDRE ON THE NARCOTIC TRAFFICKING SITUATION IN  
SOUTHEAST ASIA. THE BRIEFING OCCURRED ON 7 FEB AT THE  
AMBASSADOR'S OFFICE AND WAS AT HIS REQUEST THROUGH US  
AMBASSADOR WHITEHOUSE.

2. AMB ANDRE ADVISED THAT THE FRENCH GOVT HAS AGREED  
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TO ASSIGN A MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL NARCOTICS BUREAU TO BKK AS A  
NARCOTICS ATTACHE AND STATED THAT THEY ARE NOW WAITING FORMAL  
APPROVAL/CLEARANCE FROM THE THAI INTERIOR MINISTRY.  
AMB ANDRE DID NOT KNOW THE IDENTITY OF THE PROPOSED  
ATTACHE BUT LOOKED FORWARD TO HAVING THE INDIVIDUAL  
COORDINATE CLOSELY WITH BRO AND OTHER THIRD COUNTRY  
NARCOTIC ATTACHES IN BKK. AMB ANDRE WAS ASSURED THAT

FULL COURTESIES AND COORDINATION WOULD BE EXTENDED TOWARDS HIS ATTACHE, AND THAT THE STATIONING OF A FRENCH POLICE OFFICER WILL NOT ONLY EMPHASIZE INCREASED EUROPEAN CONCERN BUT NOT WILL AID IN INTERDICTING AND IMMOBILIZING TRAFFICKERS SMUGGLING FROM THAILAND TO FRANCE.

3. NEW ITEM: ON 8 FEB, RD ADDARIO AND RIU BRIEFED MR. CHRISTER FOGELBERG, POLICE PROSECUTOR FROM BOTHENBURG, SWEDEN, AND SWEDISH NEWS REPORTER ROLF SVENSON. THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE VISITING THAILAND, BURMA, MALAYSIA, SINGAPORE, PAKISTAN AND HONG KONG IN CONNECTION WITH THE INCREASING SEIZURES OF S.E. ASIA HEROIN IN SWEDEN AND HAD REQUESTED A MEETING WITH BRO THROUGH THE THAI POLICE NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION CENTER.

4. FOGELBERG STATED HE HAS PREVIOUSLY VISITED DEA HQS AS WELL AS THE NYRO AND MEXICO CITY RO AND IS APPARENTLY INFLUENTIAL IN SWEDISH POLICE CIRCLES.

5. FOLLOWING AN OVERVIEW BRIEFING OF THE DRUG SITUATION IN S.E. ASIA, FOGELBERG STATED HE IS ENCOURAGING THE NEW SWEDISH GOVT TO INVITE DEA INTO ESTABLISHING AN OFFICE IN GOETHENBURG AS WELL AS ASSIGN A SWEDISH POLICE OFFICER TO THE SWEDISH EMB IN BKK, AT LEAST ON A 3 OR 4 MONTH TEMP. ASSIGNMENT TO COORDINATE WITH BRO AND THAI AUTHORITIES.

6. THE INCREASED FREQUENCY OF EUROPEAN NEWS MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES AND EMB OFFICIALS CONTACTING BRO AND THAI POLICE AUTHORITIES ILLUSTRATES THE INTERNATIONAL CONCERN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF DRUG TRAFFICKING FROM THIS PART OF THE WORLD. ADDRESSEES WILL BE KEPT APPRISED OF COMMENTS MADE BY THE OFFICIALS DURING THE COURSE OF OUR BRIEFINGS.

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